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PROUD RECORD

Wise Investments Have Resulted in Accumulation of Surplus.

COMMITTEE FEAR NO INVESTIGATION

An Inquiry Into the Management of the Society is Proposed By Some-Suit is Also Threatened-Interview With Judge W. J. Leake.

asked for and a suit brought against elety is known to be in excharge that can be brought is that

printed below explains fully the for the large surplus, and how necumulated, not by large from policyholders, but from

as investment.
society at this time has the foiStanding Committee:
nel William H. Palmer, chairman;
. F. Gray, Mr. Joseph Bryan, Mr.
D. Cardoza, Mr. Edgar D. Taylor,
B. Valentine, Judge W. J. Leake
olonel Walter H. Taylor,
chairman receives \$500 a year,
so other members receive \$350 cach.

Salaries of Officers. ore is a principal agent whose salary (00), a secretary whose salary is \$2, and two clerks whose salaries are

otal \$11,850 is the entire salary account lie company. lie company. lidge Lenke was asked last night:

lge Lauke was asked last night; you know of any plans on foot, westigate the affairs of the Mutual rance Society."
did not until late to-night when titention was called to an article in an ing paper, suggesting that such a ; would be done; though I had acard;

d be done, though the terms had been called by some policy-holders, to be held at Hotel on Monday morning.
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How Surplus Was Accumulated.

Surplus Was Accumulated, has the Mutual been able to accutthe surplus complained of, surplus has been accumulated wo causes; First. The saciety ones sinces both in the count; os well as ties in Virginia, having un two branches, the country branches ecity or town branch. country branches proved to be out and were about 80 years agoud. Since that time the Society's as has been confined entirely to and towns, and as indicated by its The Mutual Assurance Society.

ghest character, and what is known the insurance world as "preferred"

has so happened that for quite a ber of years past the cities and is in the State of Virginia, in which number of years past the cities and towns in the State of Virginia, in which the Society has done business, have been free from anything like conflagrations, and will good fire departments and modern improvements for subduing fires, the fire losses have been most abnormally low. Second: Notwithstanding the fact that the quoiss of premium are so very small, only 10 cents on the \$100, or one dollar per thousand on the amount insured there has been a surplus of receipts over disbursements and by the prident management, or some may say, secidental good management, of those in charge of the affairs of the Society, this surplus has been so well invested as in have produced quite marvellous results.

Company's Investment.

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For instance, the society's surplus, to a large extent, was invested as follows:

1. In Virginia State bonds, purchased at sixty'and sold at nearly par.

2. In Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomae securities, purchased around par and now worth three for one.

3. In Atlantic Coast Line securities, which have much more than doubled in value.

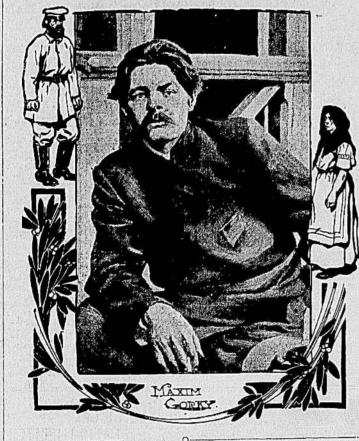
4. In many other securities, in which

4. In many other securities, in which, while not so great profits have been realized, good results have arisen.

It will therefore appear to any one who will think for a moment that the society's surplus has not been wrung from its policy-holders, but has been made by its investments, and the public may either attribute this to good management or to chance, as it sees fit. "What have you to say regarding the proposed effort to make the society relimburse its policy-holders for the amounts paid in?"

"It seems to me that this is an absurd ides. This surphus has been accumulated by the two fortuilous circumstances I have just mentioned. The fact that we have been exempt to such a maryellous degree from losses in the last few years is no guarantee against conflugrations in the future. The amount that we carry at risk is, as well as I can recall it, \$16,000,000, and this is extremely concentrated, atl east one-half being in the city of Richmond, and should there be anything like a conflagration in any one of the cities in which the society 'It seems to me that this is an absurd Circuit Attorney Arthur Sager, of St.
Louis, was a witness of the tragedy. He
slipped into the cellar of the jail and
cut off the gas, hoping to confuse the
mob, but he was too lute.

GORKY IS EVICTED; MAKES ANGRY REPLY



Declares Story Circulated In New York Is Malignant Libel.

RUSSIAN PUT OUT OF TWO HOTELS

Mark Twain Declares Author Has Seriously Impaired "Efficiency as Persuader"-Gorky Makes

Formal Statement to Public, Denying Charge.

NEW YORK.

Evicted Again

In the evening, when the proprietor of the LaFayotte-Brevoort learned about his new guests, another eviction took place. On account of the lateness of the hour, the hotel man took it upon himself to find other lodgings for the evicted party and secured four rooms in an apartment house at No. 12 Fifth Avenue. He said that the party could take meals at his hotel if they chose.

Mark Twain was authority for the in-

hotel if they chose.

Mark Twain was authority for the information that the grand dinner, which
was to be given two weeks hence by
purely literary folks, in homage to Gorky's eminence in the world of literature,
had been called off, but he explained that (Continued on Fifth Page.)

Square, and Built Fire

Under Them.

(liv Associated Press.)

SPRINGFIELD, MO., April 14.-A mob

of 5,000 persons to-night tore down the

iall and took Horace Dunean and James

Copeland, negroes, hanged them to an

electric tower in the center of the public

square, and built a fire under the sus-

The negroes, both under twenty-one

The mob used telephone poles and sledge

hammers to tear the jail to pieces. It is a mile from the jail to the square, and the mob marched down one of the prin cipal street, shouting and firing pistols.

years of age, were in fall charged with assaulting Mabel Edmondson, a white

pended men.

girl, last night.

RAILROAD OWNS MANY COMPANIES

Vice-President of Baltimore and Ohio Testifies Before Interstate Commission.

WHAT FORMER DEALER SAYS

Declares He Was Forced to Sell Coal to Road Before He Could Get Siding.

BALTIMORE, MD., April 14.-The Inerstate Commerce Commission held its

Postpone Celebration

On account of the illness of Mr. Starke, Mr. and Mrs. John, W. Starke announce the postponement of the celebration of the fifth anniversary of their marriage, which was to have taken place on April 16th, until April 24th.

HUNDREOS KILLED IN MOB TORE JAIL DOWN FORMOSA EARTHQUAKE AND LYNCHED NEGROES

Hanged Prisoners in Public Island Again Visited and the Casualties Greater Than in Recent Shock.

(By Associated Press.)
TOKJO, April 14.—A violent earthquake occurred this morning in the southern part of the island of Formosa. The casualties and damage done are reported to be heavier than those of the last earthquake.

As a result of the earthquake in Formoso last month, 1,014 persons were killed, 655 were Injured and 1,200 houses were demolished. monsines.

The prosperous towns of Dailyo, Ral-shiko and Shinko were completely de-stroyed. The damage done was roughly estimated at \$45,000,000.

Three of Family Killed.

GREPNVILLIB, PA. April 14.—Mrs. Claude Calvin, forty years old, a daughter, Jeanette, nine years old, and a son. Samuel, eight months, were killed in a grade crossing on the Erle road. Two other children, Thomas, three years old, and Sarah, seven years old, were fatally injured.

MAYOR M'CARTHY WAS ON WARPATH

Went for Movement to Lease Gas Works With Gloves Off.

AFTER GAS PLANT FOR DOLLARS IN IT

Mayor Ridicules Idea That Proposed Lessees Are Actuated By Other Than Money-Making Motives-Could Pay Off City's Debt By Purchase Price.

Meet Them at the Academy.

come here to-night not to make a

Wish to Keep It Secret.

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"Here, again, we have a statement of a subtraction of \$40,000 interest on the million dollar bonds at four per cent. from the whole amount before the carnings of the works are stated. Now does any sane man presume to say that the interest which is paid out of the gainings of the plant, are to be subtracted before a statement of the total carnings. Why, I ask, do they compel the superintendent to hand in his report 42us, when instead of the measily seventy-three thousand we have this plus the nineteen, and again plus the forty the and's inand again plus the forty the and's in terest to be added together to a mak the total sum which represents the earn

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia-Showers and coole sunday; brisk to high southwest to north-yest winds on the coast; Monday, fair, warmer in the interior. North Carolina—Partly cloudy and cooler nday; showers in east portion; brisk to Sunday; showers in east portion; brisk to high west to northwest winds on the coast; Monday, fair; warmer in western portion.

Conditions Yesterday.

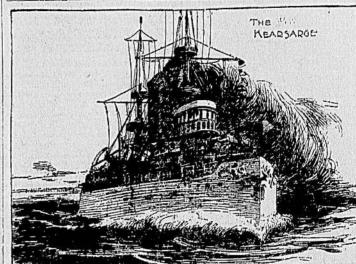
Highest temperature yesterday Towest temperature yesterday.

Mean temperature yesterday.

Normal temperature for April.

Departure from normal temperature...

SEVEN KILLED, MANY HURT IN EXPLOSION ON KEARSARGE



OF NEW BUILDING

Distinguished Gathering Participates in Ceremonies Held in National Capital.

PRESIDENT MAKES ADDRESS

Speaks on "Muck Rake Brigade," Discussing Present-Day Tendencies Toward Evil.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.-To about the marking of the nation's capitol

Gets Ovation.

President Roosevelt, accompanied by a number of his Cabluet and escorted by the Office Bullding Committee, Speaker

A hermetically sealed copper box, containing an inside copper box, with glass top, was then placed in position so that the stone would completely envelop it.

As the stone was lowered on its foundation the Marine Band played the intermezzo from Cavalarria Rusticana. The coins, which and oll were then in turn poured upon the stone by the grand master, according to ancient custom.

Following these rites, the grand master, Walter A. Brown, delivered an address.

"President Speaks"

President Speaks. An instrumental selection followed, and

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Congressman Blackburn's Private Secretary Subpoenacd to Testify Against Him. ALSO OFFICERS OF BANKS

Checks Given By Distillers to Blackburn to Be Aired in

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Bank Checks. It has been known here fur some tim that there were several checks in ex-istence among hanks in this and othe lowns bearing the endorsement of Mr

feat of those supposed to be no much inclined to keep their eyes open to the government's interest.

Two of the checks in the possession of the Pledmont Bank, being exchange on a New York bank, and therefore on file, are for \$100 each, drawn by a well known distiller, payable to E. Spencer Blackburn, endorsed by him and the New York bank. But these checks are dated August 2, 1901, and August 5, 1901. This was during Blackburn's campaign for election to Congress, and several months before he became a congressfau, and it does not seem that they could be used against him (Continued on Sixth Page.)

MAD PANIC IN CHURCH; | D. M. KYLE ARRESTED FOUR PEOPLE KILLED

"Fire!"-Three Children Trampled to Death. (By Associated Press.)

CITICAGO, ILL., April 14.-During a panie following a prankish cry of "fire" by a boy to-night, while 400 persons were participating in Easter Eve services at St. Ludmilla's Roman Catholic Church, Twenty-fourth Street and Albany Avenue, Emma Hottka, Lille Cunat and Barbara Hermanek, children, and Mrs. Kate Kanik were killed, and a score of persons injured, several seriously. There was no

FOR KILLING WM. RYAN

Boy Caused Stampede By Cry of His Victim Dies at the Hospital From His Wounds.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) STAUNTON, VA., April 14.-Mr. Willlam Ryan, who was seriously injured in a fight last Wednesday by Mr. D. M. Kyle, died at the hospital here to-night Mr. Kyle was out on \$3,000 ball, but will be taken in custody to-night pending trial next Tuesday. In a fight, Mr. Kylo struck Mr. Ryan with a pitchfork Wednesday evening, fracturing his skull and he hever recovered. Both Antlemen stand well and are prominent in this sec-tion. Mr. Ryan leaves a family. It has not yet been learned what caused the difficulty.

Taken to Macon.

(By Associated Press.)

SAVANNAH, GA., April H.—Judge
Speer passed an order in the United
States court this afternoon directing that
Benjamin D. Greene and John J. Gaynor
be taken to Macon for safekoeping, pending their transfer to the penitentiary at
all anta. They left to night, accompanied
by United States Murshall George F.
White and deputies,

Virginian Officer Loses Life in Accident in Caribbean Sea.

ANNIVERSARY OF MISSOURI DISASTER

Three Sections of Thirteen-Inchi Charge of Powder Ignited By Spark.

PRESIDENT SENDS MESSAGE TO EVANS

Lieutenant John M. Hudgins, Na-

tive of This State, Among Those Killed-Pennsylvania Lieutenant

Badly Injured.

(By Associated Press.)
GUANTANAMO, April 14.—The
United States battleship Kearsarge
has arrived here.

The casualties resulting from the explosion on board the vessel off Cu-lebra Island Friday are reported to be

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—Twe
years to a day later than the fatat Missouri disaster, and as every sallor immediately recalled on a Friday, and the
13th of the month, six men were done to

death in the forward turret of the Lat-

came a cablegram from Rear-Admira Evans, commander-in-chief of the Atlan

Those, Killed. "Calmanera, April 14, 1906

lowing have since died:
"Lieutenant Hudgins, turret officer
"Peter Norberg, gunner's mate.
"Theodore Naegely, seaman.
"Anton O. Thorson, ordinary sea-

"Julius A, Koester, turret captain, first class.

"Ellis H. Athey, seaman,
"The following was dangerously injured by accident; recovery doubtful; W. King, ordinary seaman.

"Will bury dend at Guantanamo. Vessel uninjured."

The following message of condolence was telegraphed to the commander-inchief of the fleet, Admirat Evans, by Acting Secretary Newberry:

"Washington, April 14, 1906,
"Evans, Maine, Naval Station, Calmanera,

"Evans, Maine, Naval Station, Carmanera,
"The department is grioved by the unfortunate accident on board the Kearsarge, which occasioned the death and injury in the performance of duty, brave officers and men in the navy, and it extends its heartfelt sympathy to the injured and wishes for a speedy recovery from their wounds. Spare no effort to case the sufferings of the injured in every posible manner and show every honor to the dead.

(Signed) "NEWHERRY."

Native of Virginia,

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Lieutenant John M. Hudgins, the only officer who lost his life by the explosion on the Kearsarge, was a native of Virginia, and was appelned to the Naval Academy from that State September \$, 1890. He was assigned to the engineer corps upon leaving the academy in 1894, because of his particular aptitude for engineering and his mechanical skill. He took an especial interest in the subject of wireless telegraphy, and became expert in that line. He was personally identified with the development of the wireless system as now in use by the navy having been attached to the bureau of equipment during the expertments and inauguration of the system.

After a short service in 1895 he was sent to London for a special course of instruction, and willie in that city was attached to the American embassy. Since then he has served respectively on the New Orleans, Glacier, Manila and Petrel, and in Octobor, 1903, began his service on the Kearsarge. He reached the grade of fleutenant in September, 1901. Lieutenant Hudgins's wife résides with her parents in this city.

Lieutenant Graeme was appointed to the Naval Academy from Pennsylvania. He is a son of Thomas Graeme, of Wilkesbarre, Pa. He is married and his wife, according to the department's information, is with his father.

Immediately upon receiving the exterior.

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